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REPORT

TO THE

GENERAL BOARD OF HEALTH

ON A

FURTHER INQUIRY

AS TO THE BOUNDARIES WHICH MAY BE MOST ADVANTAGEOUSLY ADOPTED FOR A PORTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF

BROUGHTON,

IN THE PARISH OF MANCHESTER, HUNDRED OF SALFORD, AND COUNTY PALATINE OF LANCASTER.

By ROBERT RAWLINSON, Esq.,

SUPERINTENDING INSPECTOR.

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NOTIFICATION.

THE General Board of Health hereby give notice, in terms of section 9th of the Public Health Act, that on or before the 30th day of June next, being a period of not less than one month from the date of the publication and deposit hereof, written statements may be forwarded to the Board with respect to any matter contained in or omitted from the accompanying Report on a further inquiry as to the boundaries which may be most advantageously adopted for a portion of the Township of BROUGHTON, in the parish of Manchester, hundred of Salford, and County Palatine of Lancaster; or with respect to any amendment to be proposed therein.

By order of the Board,

HENRY AUSTIN, *Secretary.*

Whitehall
21*st May*, 1851.

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MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN, *London, April,* 1851.

IN consequence of a petition from more than "one tenth" of the rated inhabitants of Broughton, praying the General Board of Health to direct a Superintending Inspector to visit the said township, and to make inquiry and examination with respect thereto, but more particularly with respect to that part thereof which is situate without the municipal borough of Salford, with a view to the application of the said Act to such last-mentioned part, according to the provisions of the said Act in that behalf, a preliminary inquiry was held, and a report has been published, as directed by the Act. And a further inquiry being necessary to limit the Act, as requested, the following notice was published in the local papers, and was duly posted as the Act directs.

"NOTICE.

"*Public Health Act,* 1848. (11 *and* 12 *Vict.* c. 63.)—Whereas Robert Rawlinson, Esq., one of the Superintending Inspectors appointed for the purposes of the Public Health Act, 1848, and directed by the General Board of Health to make inquiry, with a view to the application of the said Act to the township of Broughton, in the county palatine of Lancaster, has made his report in writing to the General Board of Health, upon the matters with respect to which he has been directed to inquire by the said Board; and it appearing to the said General Board of Health, from the statements contained in such report, that in case the said Act should be applied to the said township, the boundaries which may be most advantageously adopted for the purposes of the said Act are not the same as those of the said township, and that, for such purposes, it would be proper to exclude from the district proposed to be formed for the purposes of the said Act, such portions of the said township as are within and form part of the municipal borough of Salford, in the said county palatine of Lancaster, and which are more par-

ticularly referred to in the said report, the said Board, in further pursuance of the said Act, have directed the said Robert Rawlinson to visit the parts within the boundaries proposed by the said report to be adopted for the purposes of the said Act, and to hear all persons desirous of being heard before him upon the subject of the said report. Now, therefore, I, the said Robert Rawlinson, do hereby give notice, that, on the twenty-first day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the Griffin Inn, Lower Broughton, I shall be prepared to hear all persons desirous of being heard before me upon the subject of the said report and proposed alteration of boundary. And I do hereby also give notice, that copies of the said report may be inspected upon application to the churchwardens or overseers of the township of Broughton, on any day (Sunday excepted) between the hours of eleven in the forenoon, and three in the afternoon.

"ROBERT RAWLINSON.

"Dated this twenty-sixth day of February, 1851."

FURTHER INQUIRY.

At the time named, and in the place specified in the notice, I attended and held the further inquiry as directed, the following named gentlemen being present—W. S. Rutter, Esq., Isaac Picton, Esq., W. Pearson, Esq., and R. Gibson, Esq., Solicitor.

No opposition was offered to the application of the Act within that portion of the township, "which is situate without the municipal borough of Salford," but all parties were anxious that the Act should be so applied. Mr. Gibson thought, however, that the legal requirements of the Act had not been complied with, and promised to furnish his reasons, in writing, that I might lay them before your Honourable Board. The document has been submitted to the Board, and Mr. T. Taylor has reported upon it.

SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

Conclusions.—That there are no local Acts of Parliament exclusively in force within the township of Broughton.

That the town councils of Manchester and Salford have however certain local Acts of Parliament clauses of which grant powers to these bodies to lay down water-mains, gas-mains, &c., and to supply the inhabitants of Broughton with water and gas.

That the Public Health Act may with advantage be applied to that portion of the township of Broughton not within the municipal borough of Salford.

Recommendations.—I beg respectfully to reiterate and confirm my previous recommendation, namely, that your Honourable Board will grant the prayers of the petitioners, and will all

the Public Health Act 1848 (except the section 50 in the copies of that Act as printed by Her Majesty's printers), to be applied to the township of Broughton, except such portion of the said township, as is situate within the municipal borough of Salford.

That the local Board of Health to be elected under the said Public Health Act may consist of twelve persons.

That every person shall, at the time of his election as member of the said local Board, and so long as he shall continue in office by virtue of such election, be resident, as in the said Public Health Act 1848, is required, and be seized and possessed of real or personal estate, or both, to the value or amount of not less than 1,000*l.*; or shall be so resident and rated to the relief of the poor of the township upon an annual value of not less than 30*l.*

That the first election take place within one month after a Provisional Order shall have been obtained for the application of the Act to the township; and that the annual election to replace the retiring members take place on the first Monday after the 25th day of March in each year.

I have the honour to be,
My Lords and Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant,
ROBERT RAWLINSON.

To the General Board of Health,
&c. &c. &c.

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